

# Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana Newsletter



## Notes from the Chairman's Office

Greetings,

I hope this month's newsletter finds you all well and happy. We have entered the new fiscal year with a solid plan to continue the excellent services we offer as a sovereign government and continue to plan for the diversification of our resources. We are presently drafting the plans for the upcoming "Sanctuary" project and will shortly be laying the foundation. As the project progresses, I will keep you updated.

We have drafted and re-drafted the plans for expanding the RV park several times and will soon find just the right mix. We are considering the inclusion of a number of cottage style chalets to accommodate the customer base who would like to "camp" without a camper. It does look promising and even affordable.

Studies are forthcoming on several other ventures being considered for Raintree Village and I will share our thoughts and considerations on these in the near future. These studies are for economic development ventures and if "feasible", could be under development and construction in the near future.

November is the time of year that we begin the holiday season. Without a doubt, we had a wonderful feast on Saturday the 11<sup>th</sup> and fun was had by all. We find ourselves quickly moving toward the Christmas Holidays and with that comes the traditional gathering of families to celebrate and give thanks for all of our blessings. Please take time to give thanks and reflect on the birth of Christ and consider what it has meant to our existence. "For he has given his only begotten Son to be the Savior of the World". Until Next Time Huya Nito

November 2006

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# Resolutions for the Month of September

- #36/06 Authorizes a land lease for Tricia Lynn Mora.
- #37/06 Authorizes, effective September 20, 2006, the Agreement for the development and operation of a hotel facility.
- #38/06 Authorizes the Tribal Council to accelerate payment of loan indebtedness to the Whitney Bank.
- #39/06 Authorizes and directs the sale of all of the Tribe's interest in Indian Nations Insurance Company and its assets and liabilities be sold to INIC, LLC to occur upon termination of the Management Agreement, as amended, with Golden Cimarron, Ltd.

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# Resolutions for the Month of October

- #40/06 Authorizes Tricia Mora, Division Administrator, to submit the FY 2007 IHS Special Diabetes Grant Program application to The United South and Eastern Tribes and to negotiate and sign any and all documentation pertaining to the grant.
- #41/06 Adopts the amended Chitimacha Scholarship Program Guidelines and newly enacted Chitimacha Scholarship Committee By-Laws and authorizes implementation of same, effective September 20, 2006.
- #42/06 Authorizes the Chairman to sign the Programmatic Agreement Among the United States Department of Energy, Louisiana State Historic Preservation Officer, and The Advisory Council of Historic Preservation Regarding the Proposed Expansion of the Strategic Petroleum Reserve in Louisiana.
- #43/06 Adopts the Hazard Analysis and Critical Point Policy and authorizes implementation of the policy, as required by the State of Louisiana through a Federal requisite in order to continue receiving Food Service assistance at the Tribal School.



# CHITIMACHA TRIBAL POLICE



NOVEMBER 2006

For the month of November 2006, the following traffic citations were issued—nine citations for speeding, and one citation each for no drivers license and exhibition driving.

The following arrests were logged for November 2006—two male subjects and one female subject for disturbing the peace, one female subject for disturbing the peace with loud music, three male subjects for possession of marijuana, one female subject for theft over \$500.00, one male subject for simple battery, one male subject for resisting an officer with force, one male subject for criminal trespassing, one male subject for remaining where forbidden, one male subject for driving while intoxicated, no drivers license and careless operation of a vehicle with an accident, one male subject arrested on outstanding Chitimacha police warrants for resisting an officer, reckless operation and no drivers license, and one male subject arrested on outstanding warrants from 16<sup>th</sup> Judicial Court for failure to appear on three counts of simple criminal damage to property, criminal mischief, and disturbing the peace.

## NEW EMPLOYEES & EMPLOYEE STATUS CHANGES

Communications Officer Tasia Burgess has moved from the dispatching center to fill the position of patrol officer.

Reserve/Substitute Officer Albert Guillory has been hired as a full-time patrol officer.

New Police Communications Officers Stefani Derise and Jada Breaux has joined the police department to fill the vacant positions in our dispatch center. Stefani and Jada previously worked for the Iberia Parish Sheriff's Office 911 Dispatch Center and bring a combined total of three years experience in law enforcement and fire/medical dispatching service to our community.

Welcome to the Chitimacha Police Department Team!

## NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Recently the police department have been receiving quite a few complaints of items being stolen from vehicles and also gas being stolen from vehicles and residences. We are asking all residents to take extra steps to protect property—lock your vehicles and residence, call the police department if you hear or see anything or anyone that look suspicious, and if you are going to be away for a few days call the police department and request a spot check; the dispatcher will ask you a few questions in order to complete our spot check request log.



## Protecting Your Home and Property

Just taking a few simple precautions can help keep your home and property safe and help deter criminals from targeting your residence.

- **Thieves hate bright lights—install outside lights and keep them on at night or lights with photo cells that turn on when it's dark and off when it's light. You can also install motion lights under your carport and other areas on the outside of your home where you store valuables. These lights will turn on when someone approaches.**
- **Keep your yard clean—prune back shrubbery and tree limbs so it doesn't hide doors or windows and thieves can't use them for cover.**
- **Stow ladders, mowers, garden tools, and other valuable items out of sight when they are not in use.**
- **Keep valuables out of easy view of thieves. Purses, wallets, holiday gifts, and the like should not be readily visible from the door or street. These items and other valuables should not be left overnight in vehicles either. If you have to leave a valuable item in your vehicle, store it in the trunk. Always lock your vehicle while it is parked and not in use, even at your own residence.**
- **Make sure every external door of your residence has a sturdy, well-installed dead bolt lock and make sure windows are secured with appropriate locks. When you are leaving your home make sure all doors and windows are closed and locked.**
- **Be sure doors have wide-angle viewers (peepholes) placed conveniently for everyone in the household. Some viewers magnify the image, helpful to those with vision impairments.**
- **Clearly display your house number so police and other emergency vehicles can find your home quickly.**
- **If you travel, create the illusion that you're at home by getting some timers that will turn lights on and off in different areas of your house throughout the evening. Lights burning 24 hours a day signal an empty house.**



**-Make a list of your valuables—VCR's, stereos, computers, jewelry. Take photos of the items, list their serial numbers and descriptions or engrave items with a number that can be identified by you.**

**-If you return home and something looks questionable—a slit screen, a broken window or an open door—don't go in and most importantly do not touch anything. Call the police on your cell phone or from a neighbor's house.**

**If you need a police officer, do not hesitate to call. A police officer investigating suspicious activity or suspicious persons in your neighborhood could well deter someone that's up to no good. Most subjects that have the intent to commit criminal acts and maybe in your neighborhood will soon leave if the police stop, identify and question them.**

**It will be ideal if there was enough officers on duty at all times to watch every residence and street 24 hours a day, 7 days a week but in reality it will never happen in any community. Therefore, the police need to rely on law abiding citizens to report activities that seem out of place or to report persons that are breaking the law or just seem suspicious.**

**TO CALL THE CHITIMACHA POLICE DEPARTMENT DIAL 923-4964 OR 911.**

**TO REPORT A FIRE OR MEDICAL EMERGENCY CALL 923-4442 OR 911.**

***WE WISH EVERYONE A HAPPY, SAFE AND JOYOUS HOLIDAY SEASON!***

# CHITIMACHA TRIBAL SCHOOL

## 2006-2007 SCHOOL YEAR

### Award Winners:

#### Principal's List:

Drake Hewitt  
Kati Martin  
Erica Compton  
Jasi Anderson

#### Honor Roll:

Conner Anderson  
Tayla Bernauer  
Mason Gaddy  
Raine Darden  
Sage Guillory  
Kymberlin Landry  
Peyton Trahan  
Amanda Vilcan  
Caleb Darden  
Colby Darden  
Joshua Darden  
Kale Delcambre  
Caleb Higgins  
Tommie Poirrier  
Jose Sanchez  
Katie Vilcan  
Victoria Vilcan  
Kaylee Cormier  
Karli Mensman  
Kaitlan Louviere  
Rhett LeBlanc

#### Good Conduct:

Makenzie Broussard  
Maiya Darby  
Dymond Darden  
Nina Darden  
Savannah Guillory  
Drake Pontiff  
Breyonna Verret  
Khloe Walden  
Conner Anderson  
Mason Gaddy  
MaKayla Higgins  
Meghan Baham  
Raine Darden  
Sage Guillory  
Sarah Ronsonette  
Nickolas Salisbury  
Amanda Vilcan  
Drake Hewitt  
Colby Darden  
Joshua Darden  
Dylan Dwyer  
Sarah Guillory  
Caleb Higgins  
Kati Martin  
Reid Simoneaux

#### Good Conduct continued...

Erica Compton  
Katie Vilcan  
Victoria Vilcan  
Jasi Anderson  
Kaylee Cormier  
Madeline Darby  
Rhett LeBlanc  
Nata Sedatol  
Karli Mensman  
Nicholas Boudreaux  
Dustin Bobbitt  
Dallas Brown  
Elizabeth Butaud  
Alfred Crochet  
Keith Leedom  
Kaitlan Louviere  
Elizabeth Poirrier  
Heather Simoneaux  
Meagan Williams



Perfect Attendance:

Maiya Darby  
Savannah Guillory  
Khloe Walden  
Tayla Bernauer  
Austin Burgess  
Joshua Rojas  
Dynah Sedatol  
Meghan Baham  
Hannah Butaud  
Chase Cormier  
Sage Guillory  
Gabriel Parro  
Peyton Trahan

Perfect Attendance continued...

Trent Darden  
Drake Hewitt  
Russel Aucoin  
Joshua Darden  
Dylan Dwyer  
Caleb Higgins  
Kati Martin  
Reid Simoneaux  
Erica Compton  
Jovan Marcotte

Perfect Attendance continued...

Kaylee Cormier  
Nata Sedatol  
Nicholas Boudreaux  
Sherry Higgins  
Karli Mensman  
Philbert Schexnaider  
Dallas Brown  
Alfred Crochet  
Jake Gaddy  
Heather Simoneaux

CONGRATUATIONS TO ALL OF THESE STUDENTS  
AND THEIR PARENTS ON A JOB WELL DONE!!!!



# CHITIMACHA TRIBAL SCHOOL



*Eagle Pride...Eagle Spirit!*

Fall 2006

## **OPEN HOUSE**

What a wonderful way to start of an exciting school year than to have a fabulous Open House! Our parents and students showed their support by visiting our school last Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 P.M.. Parents were treated to a brief presentation by our principal, Tanya Rosemand, treats made especially for them by our cafeteria staff, and they also were honored with poetry readings by some of our students.

## **PRAYER AROUND THE FLAG CEREMONY**

In recognition of 9-11 students, staff, parents, and community visitors held a prayer ceremony to remember our history. The former chairman and man that fought so hard to establish the current school was on hand to show his support Mr. Leroy Burgess. The school pledge was recited by the students in the native language of Chitimacha followed by a prayer from ministers of Little Pass Baptist Church. The "Star – Spangled Banner" was sung by Jasi Anderson and students read poems that they had written. A lovely Native American song was played by Javon Marcotte on his flute. Ending the ceremony came with a warm thank you was giving words of wisdom...In our history we had times when fighting was on this great soil of the United States – A man by the name of Chief Joseph surrendered for peace by stating these words..."Tell General Howard I know his heart. What he told me before I have in my heart. I am tired of fighting. Our chiefs are killed. Looking Glass is dead. It is the young men who say yes or no. He who led the young men is dead. It is cold and we have no blankets. The little children are freezing to death. My people, some of them have run away to the hills and have no blankets, no food; no one knows where they are – perhaps freezing to death. I want to have time to look for my children and see how many I can find. Maybe I shall find them among the dead. Hear me my chiefs. I am tired; my heart is sick and sad. From where the sun now stands, I shall fight no more forever." We must never forget any part of our history so that we may live in PEACE.

## **CTS MASCOT**

The Chitimacha Tribal School has some very exciting things happening for the 2006-2007 school year...we now have a mascot, the "Eagle." The eagle is one of the sacred animals of the Chitimacha people and commands respect as it towers over our great nation! In our studies students will learn more of their culture including other revered animals of the Chitimacha. We would like to give a special thank you to Mr. Walter TwoFeathers for beading our school an Eagle feather to use in our studies.

## **CTS 1<sup>ST</sup> 9 WEEKS PEP-RALLY**

Hula skirts, flip flops, Hawaiian hats, and beach music filled the halls at the Chitimacha Tribal School last Friday. First thing in the morning, teachers and students kicked off their Renaissance Pep Rally day by jamming to the Beach Boys on their way to class. Throughout the day, both teachers and students anxiously awaited the fun and festivities that would take place at their 1<sup>st</sup> nine weeks Pep Rally. While students, teachers, parents, and guests entered the gym, up-beat beach music filled the air. Before awards were distributed, the CTS Junior cheerleaders and CTS cheerleaders pump-pump-pumped up the crowd with their school spirit. "Dancing with the Stars"??? No, almost... dancing with the sixth grade girls at CTS!!! Ms. Molly and the sixth grade girls worked very hard to choreograph a Hawaiian ribbon dance to the Beach Boys-complete with grass skirts!!! Other fun-filled activities, including a limbo competition were performed by the students. Cheers and yells filled the gym as one representative from each class had to prove his/her limberness-quite a treat!!! And speaking of treats...how can you have a Hawaiian day without the "coconut toss"? Yes, that's correct! Students enthusiastically whooped and hollered to cheer on the teachers as they competed in a faculty coconut toss. Ms. Tammy and Ms. Tori came out victorious! Students and teachers worked very hard the first nine weeks. Congratulations to the students at Chitimacha Tribal School for a job well done. Keep up the great work!!!

## **HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL**

Our annual Halloween Carnival was held on October 27. Everyone at Chitimacha would like to say "thank you" to anyone who helped make it a huge success. From the look of things, it seemed like everyone had a great time playing games, riding the pony and hayride, and going through the haunted house. The cake walk was another big attraction that everyone seemed to love!

## **CLASSROOM BUZZ!**

During this month, Kindergarten's theme will be Community Helpers! Students will also discuss signs of fall, Fire Prevention, being "Drug Free" and Halloween. In Reading students are "eager to read". The letter this week was "j" and students enjoyed making "juggling jellyfish." In Math the students started a unit on graphs and patterns. Khloe Walden is our Star of the Week. Congratulations, Khloe!

Ms. Phyllis' first graders are proud of themselves for finishing their first pre-primer, Together Again. They enjoyed the stories and learned to read many new words.

This class has written about themselves, captions for pictures, a How-To List, a story about our Fun Friday Scavenger Hunt, and many other sentences about pictures. Deep Math has caused the 1<sup>st</sup> graders to think and learn. They learned how to read and write their number words; create and read bar graphs, make and read tally charts; use information from a tally chart to make a bar graph; measured things in the classroom, recognized and drawn straight and non-straight lines; began to learn math facts.

In social studies, we learned some important things about the family. We learned about the family's needs and wants; our addresses and how to locate them on a map; made personal time lines of our first six years; choices that family's make about spending their money; the families involved in the first Thanksgiving and other holidays celebrated by families. Conner Anderson was our Star of the Week last month and this month it is MaKayla Higgins! Congratulations, Conner and MaKayla!

Second graders have been so busy this month. They have been working on reaching their AR goals and have just started reading for the Pizza Hut Book-It Program. They have to read 12 books a month to receive their award. In AR they have all received necklaces and are working on getting charms for their necklaces. Whenever they have free time they are busy reading. Keep up the good work second graders. Our reading theme is Helping Hands. In this unit, we see how people work together to accomplish their goals. They learn that teamwork is not only helpful but can also be fun. In Social Studies they are learning about the past. They will compare ways in which early inhabitants adapted themselves to their environment. They will learn about the different changes our country has been through and continue to change today. They will make a time-line of their lives and see the different changes they have made. Our Star Student this month is Maghan Baham. Congratulations Maghan!

WOW...Time is flying by in school year! Ms. Beth Rodriguez's third grade class has been learning about the Sugar Cane industry in their Social Studies class. Students now know and understand the process that takes place from the time the cane is planted to the time it is hauled to the mill, processed, and shipped. The students were able to see a real stalk of sugar cane and Ms. Beth showed them the different parts of the stalk of cane, which they were able to taste. Students were then asked to diagram a stalk of cane on paper. They enjoyed seeing and tasting the different forms of sugar, along with some cane syrup and even made cookies in class!

In English class this week, the third graders will take what they have learned about sugar and will write a "how-to" paragraph (recipe) explaining how to make, cook, or bake something made with sugar. They will have to incorporate some Math into their paragraph, using measurement to indicate how much of each ingredient they will need. Students will also be required to follow sequence when writing about what needs to be done to create their "sugar masterpieces." Last month's Star-of-the-Week was Drake Hewitt and this month's Star-of-the-Week is Trent Darden. Congratulations!

Mrs. Tori's star of the week is Sarah Guillory. Congratulations Sarah!!! The fourth graders at CTS are working hard to master their multiplication facts and are becoming very successful! They are also proving to be poets as well; while completing a unit on poetry, the fourth graders are creating some very unique and interesting poems. In other school news, CTS cheerleaders will also begin practicing hard for the upcoming 1st nine weeks Renaissance Pep Rally!

Ms. Keeri would like to let everyone know how proud she is of her 5<sup>th</sup> grade class. They are all a bunch of Super readers!! They have each already achieved their 9<sup>th</sup> week Accelerated Reading goals and it is only the 7<sup>th</sup> week of the school year. We just finished reading The Watson's Go to Birmingham-1963 as our read aloud book. Everyone did well on the AR test, as well as the AV test.

In Social Studies we are creating travel brochures and posters of the Maya, Inca, and Aztec civilizations. In doing this we are learning about where they lived, what they ate, and how these civilizations came to an end. In Science we're learning that just because two objects have the same size and shape, it doesn't mean they have the same density or mass. We're also learning what to look for to determine whether a chemical or physical change has taken place. Were our "coke floats" for Fun Friday a chemical or physical change???? Congratulations to Jovan Marcotte!!! He was last month's 5<sup>th</sup> grade Star of the Week and this month it is Erica Compton!

Moving into the much welcomed fall season the 6<sup>th</sup> graders at CTS are studying Ancient Civilizations and learning that many of the things we use today come from ideas of the people that lived from 4000 B. C. to 1500 B.C. The 6<sup>th</sup> graders are ALWAYS eager to learn and create neat and exciting projects. Our 6<sup>th</sup> grade team includes Kaylee, Nathaniel, Nata, Jasi, Madeline, Meagan, and Rhett. Kaylee is always willing to give a helping hand, while Nata is identified as a GREAT artist as well as a SPEEDY runner. Nathaniel likes working on the computer and showing others neat new sites. Technology classes must be his favorite! Jasi is so talented; she created our ribbon dance for the 1<sup>st</sup> 9week Pep- Rally but she also remembers to keep her studies first. Jasi is the 6<sup>th</sup> grade "Star of the Week." We can count on Madeline to be prepared and ready to get her work done; she is organized and ready to learn! Meagan puts out effort like no other, she studies hard and her grades show it! Our finally 6<sup>th</sup> grade student, Rhett, loves to READ! Rhett challenges himself to read, not just for AR points, but to inspire his imagination. We are so proud of our 6<sup>th</sup> grade class, they are working extremely hard!

In Junior High, Ms. Ann Martin's 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade classes are investigating stimulating situations, and uncovering number patterns as they delve deep into math in their new Deep Math Program. Meanwhile, in Science classes, 6<sup>th</sup> graders are learning about static electricity, mixtures, solutions, and matter through experimentation. Seventh graders are exploring plant and animal cells under "microscopic" situations, while eighth graders work constructively designing geological time line projects. All scientists enjoyed making slime and oobleck and comparing their properties.

Ms. Martin's 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade classes are busy with projects this nine weeks. The seventh grade class will be researching animals. They are finding interesting facts concerning their animal of choice. The eighth grade class will be soaring high as they explore space, the planets, and the stars. The sixth grade will attempt to "clean up" as they look into ways we can recycle and reuse. The eighth grade Star of the Week is Alfred Crochet. Last months eight grade star of the week was Dustin Bobbitt. Congratulations to both of these students!

C.T.S. 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Language Arts classes are on a roll. 7<sup>th</sup> Grade has begun reading the novel *To Kill a Mockingbird*. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade is enjoying the book *The Light in the Forest*, and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade will soon begin reading *A Day No Pigs Would Die*. Students are maintaining response journals for the novels. All middle school grades recently completed their descriptive essays. Students wrote eloquent essays describing in detail paintings of Thomas Kinkaide.

Last week students enjoyed a visit from the Pre-k students from Yamahana and did some fun Apple activities: tasting apples, graphing our favorite apples, made apple trees and made apple prints. FUN, FUN, FUN!

4-H held its first official meeting on Monday, October 9<sup>th</sup>. Elections for officers will be held on Thursday, October 12<sup>th</sup>. Members are currently working on a wreath to be submitted into the parish wide competition.

# NEWS FROM YAAMAHANA

By  
Kathleen Flanagan



## Child Passenger Safety Trainings

Yaamahana continues to host Child Passenger Safety Trainings. Firefighter Deborah Guardia conducts the trainings at Yaamahana on a quarterly basis. She has a National Child Passenger Safety Certification. Prior to each training, Ms. Guardia conducts a child safety seat check. The safety seat check determines if the car seat is appropriate for your child, and if the seat is installed properly. When tribal families attend a Child Passenger Safety Training, they receive a free car seat for their child.

## Developmental Screenings

Yaamahana also provides developmental screening to tribal children between the ages of 6 weeks and 5-years-old who are not attending our child care center.

## Story Time

One of the most important elements in literacy development is that children associate reading books with pleasure and develop a desire to learn to read. You can help us create young readers at Yaamahana by providing pleasurable reading experiences to the children. Since young children have short attention spans, the storytime need only be about 15 minutes in length. You can bring your favorite children's book, or we have a nice selection of picture books for you to choose from. If you are adventuresome, you might want to dress up as a character in the story you are going to read or tell.

If you are interested in attending a Child Passenger Safety Training, having your child undergo a developmental screening, or reading a story to the children at Yaamahana, please contact Kathleen Flanagan at 923-0100.

Please review the important information on the next page concerning child restraint conditions. The advertisement's publication is a stipulation of grant funds received.

## Proper Child Restraint Recommendations

Conditions	Infants	Toddlers	Older Children	
<b>Weight and Age</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Birth to at least 1 year old AND at least 20 pounds</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Birth to at least 1 year old</li> <li>• More than 20 pounds and less than 35 pounds</li> </ul>	Over 1 year old, over 20 pounds, up to approximately 40 pounds	Over 40 pounds, ages 4-8, unless 4'9" tall
<b>Type of Seat</b>	Infant only or rear-facing convertible	Rear-facing convertible designed for heavier infants	Convertible/forward-facing/high-back booster with harness	Belt-positioning booster (high-back or no-back)
<b>Seat Position</b>	Rear-facing only		Forward-facing	Forward-facing
<b>Always Make Sure</b>	Harness straps are at, or below shoulder level.		Harness straps should be at, or above, shoulder level.	Belt-positioning booster seats are used with lap/shoulder belt combination only.
<b>Remember</b>	Do not place infants in the front seat of vehicles with air bags.		5-point harnesses provide the best protection.	Make sure the lap belt portion fits low and tight to avoid abdominal injuries.

Children 12 and under are safest when properly restrained in the rear seat. Keep children rear-facing as long as possible. Always refer to the child safety seat instructions and vehicle manufacture's instructions for weight limits, proper use and installation.

# Recreation Newsletter

October 2006

**Cross Country** – Our Annual Chitimacha Cross Country Race, which consisted of 1.5 miles, was held on September 19, at the Sports Complex. Of the three boys’ teams, Chitimacha won the first place trophy with a total of 34 team points. Second place went to Glencoe Charter and third to Highland Baptist Boys. Nata Sedatol won overall with a time of 8:53 and Kole Fluke finished in second place at 9:13. Also finishing in the top ten were: Grant Darden, running for Glencoe Charter, with a time of 10:04 and Dallas Brown, 10:06. Completing the team were Trae’ Kitchens, Gavin Brown, Russell Aucoin, Kale Delcambre, and Reid Simoneaux. The girls’ team results are as follows: Glencoe Charter placed 1<sup>st</sup> with Chitimacha girls coming in a close 2<sup>nd</sup> and Highland Baptist took third. In the individual results, Elizabeth Butaud placed third with a time of 10:37 and Kaylee Cormier placed fourth at 10:53. Also making the top ten list for the girls was Erica Compton with a time of 12:07. Karli Mensman finished next with a time of 12:16. Completing the team were Heather Simoneaux, Kaitlyn Landry and Madeline Darby. T-shirts were awarded to the top ten finishers in the boys and girls races and trophies were awarded to the teams. We also competed in the Glencoe Charter Race placing third in the boys and girls teams. Our third race was held at Highland Baptist in which we came out second place in the boys and girls, with Kaylee Cormier, Elizabeth Burtaud, Nata Sedatol and Kole Fluke earning individual honors. Cross Country teams are pictured.



The Annual **Rug Rat Races**, which highlight our future athletes at Yaamahana, was held on September 20. Results are as follows: Diaper Dash Girls Age 1, first place went to Madison Pontiff with Chloe Martin and Jade Brown placing 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Diaper Dash Boys winners were Ridge Darden in first and Rya Soprano in second. Tot Trot Girls Age 2 – Madison Parro placed first with Koryn Hebert, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Riley Trahan, 3<sup>rd</sup>; Avari Ridgedell and Emily Darden tied for 4<sup>th</sup>; Xani Brown, 5<sup>th</sup>; and Rileigh Jo Becker, 6<sup>th</sup>. The Tot Trot Boy winner was Joshua Bonin. In the 3 year old Rug Rat Races, Gabriella Millet placed 1<sup>st</sup> and Analaysha Burgess, 2<sup>nd</sup>. Rug Rat Boys included Ethan Vilcan in 1<sup>st</sup>; Ben Paulino, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Landon Pontiff, 3<sup>rd</sup>; Larry Bonin, 4<sup>th</sup>; and Rickey Boudreaux, 5<sup>th</sup>. Four year old Kiddie Kick, Jasmine Derouen placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the girls race with the boys results as follows: Bailey Gianfala, 1<sup>st</sup>; Daniel Sisk, 2<sup>nd</sup>; Julian Mire, 3<sup>rd</sup>; and Robert Savoie 4<sup>th</sup>. We'd like to thank our volunteers from the Fire Department, Police Department, Cultural Department, Yaamahana Staff, Human Services, and Mrs. Holly Robicheaux for the great job on the finish line results for all races. Pictured are: Tot Trot Girls and Rug Rat Boys.



**Volleyball** – The Chitimacha Junior High Volleyball teams had games on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the gym. There were three teams of girls that included Highland Baptist of New Iberia and Glencoe Charter. Our boys played against the Glencoe Charter boys.

We'd like to thank our volleyball coaches, Amy Sandusky and Rachel LeBlanc, for doing a great job! The teams steadily improved throughout the weeks.

**Flag Football** – Our divisions included boys 6-7 and 8-10. We were able to make 4 teams in each division. New this year was a junior high flag football division. Our Chitimacha Boys played against Highland Baptist, Glencoe Charter, Emmanuel Christian of Morgan City, and Unity of Life of Plaquemine. As always, volunteers play a huge role in the success of our programs. We'd like to thank all the coaches that dedicated their time and the parents for coming out to support our teams. Also, thanks to the Chitimacha Tribal School Staff for taking on the chore of concessions for the flag football games.

**Pool** – The pool is now closed until Spring.

**Pumpkin Patch** – Recreation worked together with the Yaamahana Staff to put on a Pumpkin Patch on Thursday, October 26. Due to the rainy weather, the Pumpkin Patch was held inside. There were 38 participants that dressed in Halloween costumes, picked their own pumpkin and had their picture taken. Pictured are the pre-k class and the three year olds.



**Basketball** is in the planning stages as of now. Practices are due to begin in December with games in January. Divisions will include 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, and Jr. High boys and girls.

*Be sure to glance at the marquis for the latest information in Recreation.*

# Chitimacha Human Services Department

Karen Matthews, MSW, GSW

Social Services Director

**Waxtuygi (Hello)! Human Services welcomes Nicole Clements Hebert as the Human Services Assistant. Nicole substituted in the Human Services Department for several months and was hired as an employee on October 1, 2006. She is an enrolled member of the Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana. Nicole was previously employed with the Chitimacha Tribal School for seven years. She is attending the Community College and plans to attend Nicholls upon completion of her studies at the Community College and pursue a degree in Child and Families Studies.**

**Human Services in conjunction with the St. Mary Parish Red Ribbon Committee participated in activities promoting drug free schools and communities. Karen along with Red Ribbon Committee Members presented Proclamations to the Chitimacha Tribal Council, Parish Council, St. Mary Parish School Board and Baldwin City Council to declare October 23<sup>rd</sup> through 29<sup>th</sup> as Red Ribbon Week. Human Services and the Chitimacha Tribal School cosponsored the Red Ribbon Parade on October 25<sup>th</sup>. Special thanks is extended to Chairman Alton LeBlanc, Vice-Chairman Tricia Mora, Secretary-Treasurer Charles Johnson and Councilman John Paul Darden Sr., for their participation in the Parade. Human Services wish to thank, Tribal Member Mr. Dan Darden for driving his antique convertible in the parade along with Police Chief Ronald Vidalia, Fire Chief Rick Cook, Juvenile Officer Amy Theriot, Fireman Lance Mire and Brian Headley with the Development Department.**





**The Chitimacha Tribal School Staff and students are to be commended for the outstanding job they did in creating banners which were displayed in the Red Ribbon Parade. Banner winners included the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Classes. Special thanks is extended to Mrs. Mary “Buggie” Bailey for overseeing the banner project.**

**Karen presented a Power Point Presentation regarding substance abuse at the Quarterly Employee Staff Meeting on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. Human Services Staff participated in the Chitimacha Health Clinic Health Fair on October 17<sup>th</sup>. We were also joined by Chez Hope Domestic Violence Program Staff at the Health Fair. Hollie and Karen attended the Tribal School Carnival on October 27<sup>th</sup>. Amy Simon, former Human Services Specialist joined us at the Carnival and everyone was happy to see her.**

**Human Services Boys and Girls’ Groups are going well. Hollie and Nicole are planning exciting activities for the children to enjoy. Amy Theriot, Juvenile Officer with the Tribal Police Department participated as a Guest Speaker. There is a total of forty-four (44) children participating in the Boys and Girls’ Groups.**

**Worry is a future-tense emotion. Worry is a projection of a possible—not necessarily probable—scenario. Will there be enough? Where will it come from?**

**How long will it last? Worry is wasteful.**

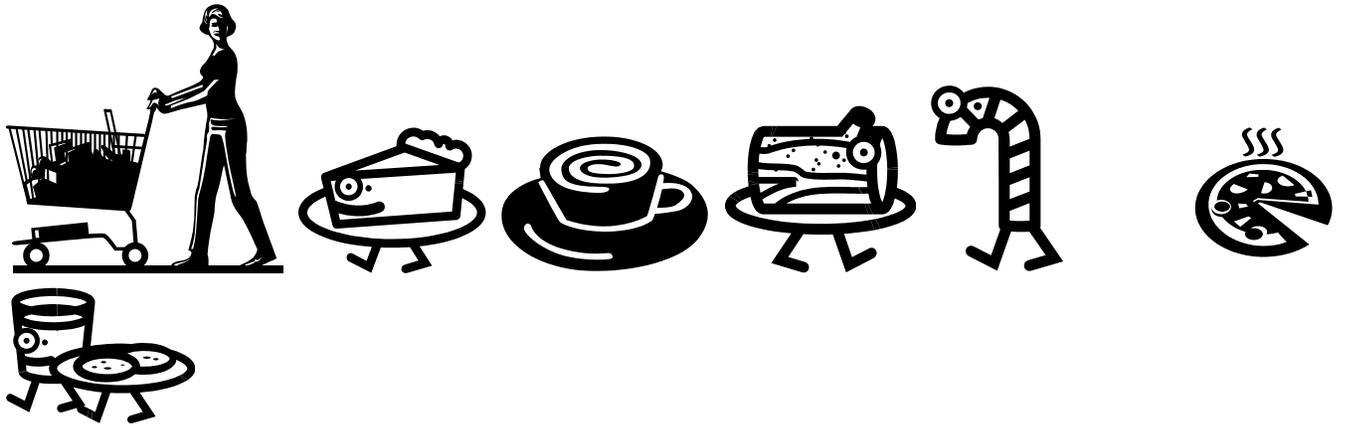
# Chitimacha Health Clinic News



During the October United South and Eastern Tribes, USET, Meeting that was held in Philadelphia, MS, the Chitimacha Health Clinic received eight awards for their performance in various screenings and data collection. This is the most awards received by one tribe. This information is collected from the 24 tribes that comprise the USET area. ***Congratulations to all of the employees of the Chitimacha Health Clinic on this accomplishment.***

Pictured above from left to right beginning with the front row, with the awards are, Mildred Darden, Ann Olds, Karen Arton, Dr. Indira Gautam, Lori Cole, Tricia Mora-Vice Chairman, John Paul Darden-Councilman, Charles Johnson-Secretary/Treasurer, and Heloise Mora. Employees not pictured are, Earlene Thomas, Pam Thibodeaux, Madeline Phelps, Norma Higgins, Elaine Higgins, Dietician Judith Dupuis, Pharmacists Christy Soileau, and Savitra Collins.

# Chitimacha Health Department Calendar of events for 2006 -2007



Judith Dupuis, Dietician will provide nutritional/diabetic education for all of the events listed below.

This is your diabetes support, see you there!!

2006-2007

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| 12/06/2006 | Senior Breakfast or DM Breakfast (AOA) Rivercane |
| 01/10/2007 | Senior Breakfast or DM Breakfast (AOA) Rivercane |
| 01/23/2007 | Chitimacha Challenge at Recreation Center        |
| 02/07/2007 | Senior Breakfast or DM Breakfast (AOA) Rivercane |
| 03/07/2007 | Senior Breakfast or DM Breakfast (AOA) Rivercane |
| 03/28/2007 | Cooking Class (AOA) Rivercane - Lunch            |
| 04/04/2007 | Senior Breakfast or DM Breakfast (AOA) Rivercane |
| 05/02/2007 | Senior Breakfast or DM Breakfast (AOA) Rivercane |
| 06/06/2007 | Senior Breakfast or DM Breakfast (AOA) Rivercane |
| 06/27/2007 | Cooking Class (AOA) Rivercane - Lunch            |
| 07/11/2007 | Senior Breakfast or DM Breakfast (AOA) Rivercane |
| 08/01/2007 | Senior Breakfast or DM Breakfast (AOA) Rivercane |

# EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR NOMINEES

(For the Quarter Ending in September)



Yaamahana/Early Learning Center Nominee:  
Natalie Rodriguez and Director, Kathleen Flanagan.



Trading Post Nominee: Geretta Dugas (Center),  
Manager, Joey Bernard (L), and Brandy Martin (R).



Public Works Nominee: Billy Mora (2nd from Left),  
(L to R) Lester Butaud, Supvr. Royce Deslatte,  
Director, Tony Darden, Patricia Martin, and Patrick  
Simoneaux.



Rivercane Nominee: Leroy Landry and Director,  
John Paul Darden.

# NOMINEES CONTINUED



Gaming Commission Nominee: Jason Green (Center), Director, Patrick Darden (L), and Supvr. Joe Dressel (R).



Gaming Commission Nominee: Terri Louviere (2nd from Left), (L to R) Director, Patrick Darden, Supvr. Ted Kahn, and Bridgett Marcell.



Gaming Commission Nominee: Roberta Sexton (Center), Supvr. Roxanne Jolet (L), and Director, Patrick Darden (R).

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